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TAGS: IAEA TECH PARM TU
SUBJECT: TURKISH REQUEST FOR SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL THRU
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1. AGENCY HAS RECEIVED GOT REQUEST FOR ARRANGING FOR
PURCHASE OF 5,310 GRAMS 89.95 PERCENT ENRICHED U-235 FROM
U.S.

2. MATERIAL CURRENTLY IN TURKEY UNDER LEASE AGREEMENT,
WHICH EXPIRED DECEMBER 1974.

3. IN INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH MISOFF, AGENCY'S FIRST
REACTION WAS TO QUERY WHY GOT COULD NOT ARRANGE
PURCHASE MORE EASILY DIRECTLY WITH U.S. PURSUANT U.S.-TURKISH
BILATERAL AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION IN CIVIL USES NUCLEAR
ENERGY. MISOFF OPINED THAT THEY MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN
OBTAINING SOME OF MATERIAL UNDER ANNUAL U.S. GIFT
OF \$50,000 WORTH OF SNM TO IAEA, BUT REMINDED AGENCY THAT
U.S., AS MATTER OF POLICY, HAD ANNOUNCED LAST YEAR THAT,
IN MAKING DISTRIBUTION OF THIS GIFT, PREFERENCE
WOULD BE GIVEN TO REQUESTS FROM NPT PARTIES, AND
THAT REQUESTS ALREADY MADE FOR 1975 GIFT FROM NPT
PARTIES FAR EXCEEDS AMOUNT AVAILABLE. AGENCY
FULLY AWARE OF THIS POSITION.

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4. UNDERSTAND AGENCY OFFICIAL SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED TURKISH MISSION REP HERE, WHO APPARENTLY NOT RPT NOT TOO WELL INFORMED ON BACKGROUND OF MATTER, AND ADVISED HIM THAT IT WAS TOO LATE TO COMPLETE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE THIS REQUEST PRESENTED TO JUNE BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING FOR APPROVAL, AND SUGGESTED THAT IF PURCHASE OF MATERIAL HAD TO BE COMPLETED EARLIER THAN NEXT BG MEETING IN SEPTEMBER, THAT GOT CONSIDER APPROACHING U.S. DIRECTLY. TURKISH REP REPORTEDLY INDICATED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD MATTER HAD ALREADY BEEN OR WAS GOING TO BE TAKEN UP BILATERALLY IN WASHMN D.C.

5. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED OF OUTCOME BILATERAL CONTACTS. LABOWITZ

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